## United States District Court District of Massachusetts

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United States of America	)	
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v.	)	Criminal Action No.
	)	21-cr-10184-NMG
Sherriff Cooper,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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## ORDER

## GORTON, J.

The Court has just now become aware of seven motions of defendant Sherriff Cooper ("defendant") filed <u>pro se</u> that were not dealt with at the final pretrial conference on February 15, 2024. Six of those (Docket Nos. 237-1, 239-1, 240-1, 241-1, 244-1, 245-1) are treated as motions for reconsideration and **DENIED** for the reasons provided in the Court's prior orders (Docket Nos. 184, 185 and 235). Defendant is reminded yet again that duplicative and frivolous filings waste judicial resources and slow the progress of justice. <u>See</u> Docket No. 185.

The defendant's seventh motion (Docket No. 238-1) requests that the Court modify the protective order in this case to 1) require the government to produce all five phones that were in

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the possession of the alleged victim and 2) remove redactions on text messages produced from those phones.

There is no basis to amend the protective order on the eve

of trial. The order, to which defendant assented in August,

2021 (Docket No. 17) and which has remained in effect for the

past 30 months, requires the parties to redact sexually explicit

materials relating to the alleged victim. It should be no

surprise to defendant that the phone extractions produced by the

government contain redactions. In addition, defendant has

repeatedly questioned why the government has not produced data

for all five phones that were in the alleged victim's possession

but ignores the fact that more than two years ago, in January,

2022, the government informed counsel for defendant that three

of the cell phones either lack data or cannot be extracted. The

government informs the Court that counsel for defendant has been

provided forensic copies of all of the phones and the Court has

no reason to doubt the veracity of that report.

Defendant's motion (Docket No. 238-1) is DENIED.

So ordered.

Nathaniel M. Gorton

United States District Judge

Dated: February 16, 2024

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